

**IN THE UNITED STATE DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
ABINGDON DIVISION**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**  
**PLAINTIFF**

**V.**

**JOEL A. SMITHERS**  
**DEFENDANT**

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**CASE NO. : 1:17-CR-027-JPJ-PMS**

**PREPARATION OF TRANSCRIPT OF PRELIMINARY HEARING AT  
GOVERNMENT EXPENSE**

Comes Now the Defendant, Joel A. Smithers, by and through counsel and moves this Honorable Court, to order the preparation of the transcript of the Preliminary Hearing on Joel A. Smithers held on September 5, 2017.

Wherefore, the Defendant, Joel A. Smithers, respectfully requests the preparation of the transcript of the Preliminary Hearing held on September 5, 2017.

RESPECTUFLY SUBMITTED

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Don M. Williams, Jr., hereby certify that I have this the 16th day of April, 2019, electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the Assistant United States Attorney.

/s/ Don M. Williams, Jr.

DON M. WILLIAMS, JR.